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..... convinced by his talks with Khrushchev, that latter operating on basis deep personal hatred of President Eisenhower. I am convinced this untrue. Khrushchev was in fact personally embarrassed in USSR and bloc by our handling of U-2 affair in view his personal commitment to "spirit Camp David" and he has shown lack of respect for President's role in field of foreign affairs. Nevertheless from my conversations with him both before and after U-2 incident including our last conversation, I am convinced he was greatly impressed by President's personality and on purely personal basis has warm feeling toward him. In any event Soviet leaders are not type to let personal feelings affect high policy decisions. Therefore believe we must look elsewhere for reasons Soviets decided at time Paris Summit not to attempt negotiations with present US administration. Among other following are possibilities:

Most obvious explanation is that Soviets realized final conclusion of agreements on such questions as Berlin, Germany, and dis- armament unlikely to be reached in first round of negotiations and probably not before new elections. They would therefore be at disadvantage in that they could not be sure that in return for any concessions they offered in negotiations, new administration would honor proposals put forward on US side.

Second possibility is that Soviets felt necessary to deal with split in Communist camp brought about by Chinese party before facing West in show-down negotiations.

Third and more sinister possibility is that Soviets have in fact achieved major military-scientific break-through which they wish develop in order be able negotiate from position of greater strength.

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